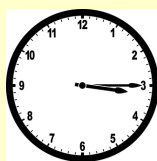


## Message from the Head Teacher

As Covid restrictions are gradually lifting, we are changing our **finish time** back to **3.15pm** for **all** children from Monday 25th April. The staggered finish was recommended as a Covid 19 measure to avoid crowding on our playground and was successful.

As we move to finishing together, can I please ask that parents and carers please keep an extra eye on their children once they have collected them. It is very easy for children to become separated from their parents and wander off when the playground is busy.

Once again, I ask that you are also mindful of our families walking, neighbours and cyclists if parking near the school.



## ATTENDANCE NEWS SPRING TERM

Nursery A: 89%  
Nursery B: 95%  
RLMc: 88%  
RAG: 90%  
Year 1 RMc: 89%  
Year 1CP: 86%  
Year 2GH: 88%  
Year 2 TD: 93%  
Year 3 LA: 93%  
Year 3 EHD: 98%  
Year 4 JS: 96%  
Year 4 KM: 97%  
Year 5NA: 96%  
Year 5TS: 92%  
Year 6AD: 95%  
Year 6RC: 92%

**Well Done to this weeks  
winner,  
Year 3EHD**

**with 98% attendance.**

**School starts at 8.55am**

**Children can come into  
school from 8.45am and  
should be in class by  
8.55am.**

**Nursery opens at 9.00am  
and closes at 3.10pm.**



Ramadan Mubarak to all our families observing Ramadan this month.

## Virtual Parent/Carers Meetings



Thank you to everybody who had booked onto the meetings. On the day of your appointment, your child will bring home a reminder slip with the time.

Please log on with your phone/tablet or computer a few minutes before to check it's all working. At your given time, your child's class teacher will appear on the screen.

If you have not yet made an appointment, please speak to the class teacher at the end of the day.

## Dates for your diary:

### APRIL

4th—Supporting children with stress and anxiety parental workshop

4th—Virtual parents meetings 3.45pm—5.45pm (5NA)

5th—Y1CP puppet making morning with parents.

5th—Y6 Parents residential meeting 2.30pm.

6th—Coffee morning for parents of children with SEND.

6th—Virtual parents meetings 3.45pm—5.45pm (not nursery or Y5)

7th—Virtual parents meetings 3.45pm—5.45pm (not nursery or 5TS)

7th—Y1RMcpuppet making morning with parents.

7th—B Tales theatre group in school.

8th—B Tales theatre group in school.

8th April—School closes for holiday.

25th April—Children return to school.

25th April—Rebecca Farmer with Year 4—psycho dynamic workshops

27th, 28th and 29th—Year 6 Residential Trip.

## Y3 Deaf Active Assembly



Thank you to Year 3 parents/carers who came along last week to watch their 'Hands' assembly. Year 3 has spent the last 10 weeks learning to sign basic greetings and themes such as animals, weather and colours. They also learned to sign a few songs.

We're really proud the children at Smithdown have shown such commitment to being able to communicate with people who have hearing difficulties.



### HAF—Holiday Activities and Food

There are a number of Holiday Activities with Food available over the holidays.

More information can be found at

<http://www.merseyplay.com/haf-easter-half-term/>

Local providers include:

Al-Ghazali Centre (0151 734 3843, Earle Road) offering activities for 6-18 year olds.

Access Education (0151 735 0036, Picton Road) offering individualised support for children with SEND

Edge Hill Youth and Community Centre (0151 263 2921, Durning Road) offering activities for 7 to 13 year olds.

Granby Toxteth Development Trust (0151 734 4925, Lodge Lane) offering activities for 5 –17 year olds.



### Y5 Viking Long Houses

Y5 have been busy combining their historical knowledge with DT skills to plan and build Viking Longhouses. They look amazing!